



**CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
May 10, 2001**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Citizens Advisory Commission on Disabilities was called to order at 12:00 p.m. by Chairperson Flores.

II. ROLL CALL OF COMMISSIONERS

Members Present

Donald Brault
Shauna Hagemann
Dan Hansch
George Miller
Eugene Mohr
Donna Roberts
William Serhan
Cynde Soto
JuDee Stone
Valoria Tate

Members Absent

Francisco Flores
Millree Wallace Millee
David Morris
Audrey Paul

Staff Present

Dora Jones
Cynthia Williams

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF April 12, 2001.

Commissioner Tate made a motion to approve the minutes of April 12, 2001.
Commissioner Stone seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

III. STAFF REPORT

Dora reminded the Commission that the 2001 Abilities Expo will be at the Long Beach Convention Center June 8-10, 2001. CACOD will be sharing a booth with the Disabled Resource Center (DRC). Dora is asking that each Commissioner sign up to volunteer time at the booth.

Dora informed the Commission that the letter to the Metropolitan Transit Authority (MTA) regarding the need for gap reducers on the MTA has been completed and is awaiting a signature from the CACOD Chairperson.

Dora informed the Commission that staff and a CACOD Ad Hoc committee met regarding the CACOD brochure. An updated brochure will be available in June 2001.

Dora also informed the Commission that the City's Strategic Plan has a section that addresses citizens with disabilities in regards to housing, transportation, employment, safety and quality of life. A detailed plan will be developed by the Department of

Human Resources. Several CACOD Commissioners have been asked to assist with the project.

The City of Long Beach, The Disabled Resource Center and CACOD will be having an ADA 11th Anniversary Celebration Ceremony on July 26, 2001, at City Hall. Dora asked the Commission to assist with disseminating information at the CACOD booth.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS (5-minute time limit)

Accessibility and Transportation – Commissioner Soto stated she has additional discount tickets to the 2001 Abilities Expo.

Employment Committee – Commissioners Hagemann and Hansch met with Kevin Boylan, Manager, Personnel Operations, regarding employment issues affecting persons with disabilities. Also, they discussed the City's reasonable accommodation process for employees in the Injured Worker Program.

YOUTH COMMITTEE – Commissioner Roberts informed the Commission that the committee is in the process of locating a contact person from the Board of Education to work with the Youth Committee on the "Youth Leadership Award" project. A meeting has been scheduled for May 11, 2001, with the Special Services Superintendent to discuss the project.

Commissioner Brault also informed the Commission that the Youth Committee is currently in the process of developing an application for the Youth Leadership Award.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Soto informed the Commission that she had discussed a proposed visibility ordinance with some Councilmembers. The ordinance would mandate barrier free requirements for new single family, duplex or triplex dwelling when funding or assistance from public funds are received. The Councilmembers were supportive of an ordinance.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Commission Brault adjourned the meeting at 12:43 p.m.